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Dear Mr Rostker

I am writing to you on behalf of the UK based international development NGO Practical Action.

I would like to add the support of my organisation to the letter collectively written to you by a number of UK Non Governmental Organisations on 2nd January 2008. They were expressing concerns regarding the proposed USAID Partner Information Form for use with the Partner Vetting System (PVS). Practical Action also shares these concerns.

Therefore with my colleagues in the UK I would also like to request that USAID delay the implementation of this new system until the concerns raised in the letter have been resolved.

Yours sincerely

Simon Trace

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Practical Action's Disappearing Lands project in Bangladesh addresses the development needs of people who have been displaced by river erosion. It recently won a gold award from the Asia-Pacific Forum for Environment and Development. For details read here www.practicalaction.org/rivererosion.

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